

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1-12 (Canceled)

13 (Previously Presented): An inorganic electroluminescent device comprising in the following order:

an underlayer formed of a first compound semiconductor of Group IIa-VIb, wherein said first compound semiconductor contains  $\text{MgS}$ ; and

a light emitting layer formed of a second compound semiconductor of Group IIa-VIb, wherein said first compound semiconductor and said second compound semiconductor have an orientation in the  $\langle 100 \rangle$  direction, wherein said second compound semiconductor contains  $\text{Mg}_{1-x}\text{Ca}_x\text{S}$ , wherein  $x$  is  $0.1 \leq x \leq 0.15$ , and Eu is doped into  $\text{Mg}_{1-x}\text{Ca}_x\text{S}$  as a substance acting as a luminescent center, and the composition ratio of Eu to Mg is not larger than 0.1.

14 (Original): The inorganic electroluminescent device according to claim 13, wherein the composition ratio of Eu to Mg is not larger than 0.01.

15-22 (Canceled)